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Case 7836XD

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
KEITH HOMER BAKER, et al. :  
  
Parent Application  
  
Serial No. 09/693,224 : Group Art Unit 1751  
  
Filed: November 5, 2001 : Examiner E. Elhilo  
  
For COMPOSITIONS FOR :  
TREATING SHOES AND :  
ARTICLES EMPLOYING THE :  
SAME :

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first sentence of the specification as follows:

## CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS

This application is a division of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/693,224, filed October 20, 2000 (pending), which is a continuation-in-part of and claims the benefit of the filing dates of US